Forsyth County Department of Social Services Board Minutes October 27, 2010

Present: Michael Wells, Florence Corpening, Dave Plyler, Walter Marshall, Claudette Weston, Chair, Joe Raymond, Scott Wierman, President of the Winston-Salem Foundation, Michael Clements, Community Affairs Vice President of the Winston-Salem Foundation, Ava Smith-Pegues

Call to Order at 8:20am

Information

Staff Introductions

The TEAM Division's new staff are Jennifer Smith, LaTeesha Morrison, Mary Cantu, Douglas Crim, and Christina Boles.

New staff in Adult Division are Tori Alston, Dakeita Ambush, Gina Clodfelter, and Ky-Sha Duncan.

Family & Children Division's new staff are Melissa A. Bell, Dayo Phoenix, and Veronica Delos Cobos

There were no public comments.

The Director's Report

- Child and Family Medicaid is growing with Saturday overtime continuing
- Medicaid program is over \$300 million per year
- Budget cuts are expected as workloads increase
- One million Medicaid recipients are expected for 2014
- Child Support program receives approximately 15,000 calls a month routed from Raleigh.

Consent

The August Minutes were approved on motion by Mr. Plyler, second by Ms. Corpening. There was no September Board meeting.

There were no violations of policy reported for August.

The Benchmark Report is deferred until the Annual Report is published later this year.

The Division Directors will be invited to attend future Board meetings.

Strategic

The Winston-Salem Foundation has been leading the Youth in Transition effort for approximately 6 months during which time they have hired Karen Bartoletti as the new coordinator. The Winston-Salem and Kate B. Reynolds Foundations fund the coordinator position.

Scott Wierman reported Foundation's objective for the YIT program is total community involvement. They are seeking support from the school system, Children's Home, Experiment in Self-Reliance, and The United Way Program. Mr. Wierman reported that present and former foster care youth make up the Advisory Board and will be paid for their time.

Mr. Wierman announced that Joe Raymond and Maureen Jackson, a former youth in foster care, have been asked to present about the Youth in Transition program to members of the Foundation's Legacy Society at their annual dinner on November 10.

Michael Clements reported on the continued effort to make the YIT program a coordinated effort of the community. He presented an article entitled *Abandoned at Adulthood*.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:19am by Mr. Wells, second by Mr. Plyler.